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VANADA IS LAUNCHED; AFFAIR A BIG SUCCESS

Big Freighter Glides Majestically Off Ways—Band Plays and Crowd Cheers.

GOV. DAVIS AMONG THE GUESTS

**Mrs. H. F. Morse Breaks Bottle of Wine Over Prow of
Vessel.—Distinguished Gathering Present.—Crowd of
10,000 See Launching.—Buffet Luncheon Served Fol-
lowing Launching.**

Gliding majestically into the Potomac the big steel freighter Vanada, 9,400 tons deadweight, was launched at 2 o'clock this afternoon at the plant of the Virginia Shipbuilding Corporation without a hitch. This is the third ship to be launched by this corporation since it started operations in Alexandria.

Mrs. H. F. Morse, wife of the vice president of the corporation, smashed a bottle of champagne over the prow of the ship as she left the ways.

Mrs. Morse presented a pretty picture as she stood on the christening platform, dressed in a pretty blue suit with hat to match and carrying a bouquet of pink roses and ferns.

Breaks Bottle of Wine

At a signal given she with her right hand uplifted, let the bottle come down with considerable force, and the foaming wine scattered over the ship and a little also on the dresses of some of the women standing beside her including the dress of Mrs. Morse.

The camera men kept Mrs. Morse busy taking pictures as did also the movie men.

There was hearty laugh from the crowd assembled on the platform when one of the camera men remarked: "Mrs. Morse just as you break the bottle on the ship look this way."

The Vanada went out as far as the channel bank and soon was hauled into the company's pier where she will be completed. It is expected that this ship will be completed within the next six weeks.

Launching Pretty Sight

The launching was a pretty sight as the Vanada left the ways. The Marine Band from Quantico played patriotic airs, the siren at the yards let loose and there were lusty cheers from the throngs assembled as the ship proudly glided into the river with her colors flying.

The launching was attended by approximately 10,000 persons including Senators, Congressmen, and a host of other distinguished guests together with practically all of the officials of the Virginia Shipbuilding Corporation.

Distinguished Guests

Among the distinguished guests in attendance were Gov. Westmoreland Davis, Senators K. B. McKeller, John W. Simmons, Lee S. Overman, Chas. L. McNary, Senator and Mrs. Harding, Senator and Mrs. Lenroot, Representatives Robert A. Southworth, John F. Fitzgerald, James G. Monahan, Hon. C. C. Carlin, former Congressman, Admiral Moore, U. S. N., J. W. Stewart, Isherwood, System of Ship Construction, New York; W. T. Galtier, president of the American National Bank, Washington; Geo. G. Sharp, chief surveyor, American Bureau of Shipping; Capt. Charles A. McAllister, U. S. Coast Guard and E. P. Berthoff, U. S. Coast Guard; Hon. D. C. Roper, Collector of Internal Revenue; Rudolph Forester and Thomas Brahany, White House; J. L. Wilmet, director of the Bureau of Engraving and Printing and a number of others.

Luncheon After Launching

Immediately following the launching came a buffet luncheon which was served in the company's commissary. A large number of invited guests were present at the luncheon and all greatly enjoyed themselves.

Following the launching the camera men made Governor Davis pose with Mrs. Morse for a picture.

Gunston Hall Complete

On Monday the freighter Gunston Hall, the first ship built by the Vir-

CLUB MEMBERS ENJOY SOCIAL

Interesting Events Pulled
Off At Old Dominion
Boat Club

MEMBERSHIP NOW 100

Club Plans Another Smoker Which
Will Be Given Prior to Annual Regatta in July.

One of the most delightful events of the season was the smoker given by the Old Dominion Boat Club last night. Several interesting wrestling and boxing bouts between members of the club, interspersed with singing, refreshments and smokes, etc., enlivened the evening.

The entertainment proved so popular that it has been decided to hold another of these delightful events in July, just prior to the annual regatta, which will be held by the club early in August. At the regatta it is expected that several outside clubs will compete in the different events.

The Old Dominion Boat Club, which has reached the one hundred mark in active membership, is composed of clean, red-blooded men, who at the first call for men in the recent war, furnished twenty-seven men from a then active membership of fifty-one, a record of which it feels justly proud.

It is expected that a meeting of the Ladies Auxiliary will be held early in the next week, and on Thursday, June 26, will be inaugurated Ladies Day, and after that date on each Thursday between the hours of twelve (12) and six (6) the ladies will have exclusive use of the locker, locker room, and shower baths. A splendid swimming beach has been located on the opposite side of the river and transportation across the river will be afforded to all members of the Ladies Auxiliary, who desire to participate in that form of sport.

manager, E. L. Nichols; Insurance manager, J. M. Tucker; general counsel, Barber, Watson & Gibbons; acting resident counsel, W. W. Scott; acting general auditor, L. D. Christie; cost accountant, Eli Smith; head of claim department, H. C. Russell; chief paymaster, T. A. Sebrill, jr.; employment agent, T. J. Sheeran; acting progress manager, A. B. Massey, jr.; chief engine draftsman, S. A. Johnson; chief hull draftsman, Gus Lagergren; machinery inspector, E. F. C. J. G. Walter; resident inspector, E. F. C. W. Smith; resident auditor, E. F. C. Philip Reinhardt; General superintendent, H. B. Andrews; Superintendent, F. H. Brown; assistant superintendents, George Cair and J. M. Neill; chief timekeeper, R. A. Wise; welfare agent, Hugh Jordan; foreman loftman, Wm. G. Lamour; foreman shipfitter, C. W. White; foreman riveter, Robert Mccoy; foreman punch shop, Adam Miller; foreman plate yard, F. D. Holt; master mechanic, Frederick Ernst; foreman electrician, Charles Lampoh; foreman pipe fitter, Thomas Willing; foreman blacksmith, Alexander Clerk; foreman boiler maker, William Hayes; foreman joiner, James Hewitt; foreman painter, Thomas Doughty; foreman carpenter, Howard Bayne; foreman rigger, Frank Anderson; foreman labor, Nicholson Dillon; foreman shipways No. 1, George Cain; foreman shipways No. 2, Gus O'Rourke; foreman shipways No. 3, Fred Anderson; foreman shipways No. 4, J. M. Neill; storekeeper, J. B. Wayne; garage superintendent, H. B. Gardner.

BLIND GIRL CASHIER

Bank Thieves at East Toledo Frightened Off, Leaving \$12,000
Toledo, Ohio, June 21.—Two bandits, after binding Miss Tessie Trudeau, teller and cashier of the Ironville branch of the People's State Savings Bank, East Toledo, late yesterday afternoon, escaped with \$800 in cash.

Depositors entering the bank frightened the bandits away before they could open the vault in which was \$12,000 in currency. The robbers escaped in an automobile.

ENJOY SOCIAL SESSION

H. K. Field Bible Class of M. E. Church Couth Entertain
Despite the heat and rain, a large number of the friends and members of the Henry K. Field Bible Class enjoyed the get-together meeting in the Young People's Building last night. There was plenty of good music by the Sunday School orchestra, singing of popular songs by the audience and solos by Messrs. Bernard Hamilton and Vernon Webster. George M. Carr was the accompanist. Later the treats and eats served by the ladies, and the smokes served by the class were promptly and probably dealt with.

BELIEVE HUNS WILL SIGN

Wilson is Opposed to Granting Any
More Time
London, June 21.—The Paris correspondent of the Telegraph asserted today a report that the German government had decided to sign the treaty was officially telegraphed from Berlin to Paris yesterday noon.

Paris, June 21. Travelers arriving here from Germany today reported that the former Kaiser and Field Marshal von Hindenburg had advised the German government to sign the treaty.

Paris, June 21.—Rumors of all sorts are deluging Paris as to what the Germans will do or not do, but the city remains strangely passive. Five years of waiting have left the French public peculiarly lethargic. It seems as if the nightmare of war will never disappear.

One bright ray comes from American peace circles. Despite the conviction prevalent in well informed French circles that Germany will not sign, the American officials here nearly all believe the contrary. A high American diplomat said late yesterday:

"German business wants peace immediately, and German business will decide the issue. They will fume and fuss and seek delays, but the four armies of occupation are ready for action. Germany will not call."

The unconfirmed news from Germany of the overthrow of the Scheidemann government came in while President Wilson was conferring with the American delegation.

He is understood to have regarded this news as indicating that the Germans are preparing to sign.

Mr. Wilson told his colleagues that if the Germans sign he will leave for America the same night.

If they refuse he will depart a day or two later.

The President then took up with his fellow delegates the question of the attitude of the United States in the event of a request from Weimar for a further extension of the time limit.

Mr. Wilson is understood to have expressed himself in forceful terms against granting any such request, and the whole American commission is said to oppose any new delay unless it is based upon a flat undertaking by the Germans that they will sign the present terms.

KILLS YOUNG DAUGHTER; BLOWS OWN HEAD OFF

Lexington, Tenn., June 21.—Martin Mincey, a farmer living near Waldersville, and his 17 year old daughter, Julia, are both dead as the result of shots fired by the former.

Ugly charges had been circulated about the father and it is believed that the double crime was committed in an effort to cover up depravity.

Mincey fired a load from a shotgun into the body of his daughter as she was hoeing corn in a field. While neighbors were carrying the girl's body into the house, Mincey blew off the top of his head with the same weapon.

HOTEL BELVOIR CAPE

Special Merchants Lunch
12.00 to 2.30 p. m.
Popular Prices
G. B. ASHBY, Manager
147tf.

NOTICE

Grand patriotic exercises and dialogue entitled "How to Become a Soldier," will be given by the Bible Class of the Alfred Street Sunday School Sunday, June 22, at 8 p. m. 148-1c.

ACTIVITY IN REALTY TRANSFERS FILED

Fifteen Deeds Filed in Of-
fice of Clerk of
Court

TWO BUSINESS HOUSES

Demand for Houses Unabated.—Many
Transfers Expected During Coming
Week.—Purchase Own Homes.

Deeds for fifteen pieces of property have just been recorded today and many more are expected during the coming week. The property transfers here during the past month have been greater than at any period during the history of the city.

Property transferred for which deeds have just been recorded follows:

Frank Michelbach to Dr. George T. Klipstein the three story brick store building on the north side of King street between Alfred and Patrick streets.

Max Rosenfeld to James E. Privoles house and lot 1102 King street.

Mrs. Maggie L. Eidsness to Frederick G. Ayers house and lot on the south side of King between Alfred and Patrick streets.

Frank M. Hill to Terance McGowan and wife the store and dwelling on the west side of Royal between King and Prince streets.

Mrs. Christina E. Bales to Mrs. Irene Nagel Pettey house and lot on the south side of King between Henry and Fayette streets.

Dr. George T. Klipstein to William M. Smithers house and lot on the south side of King between Fayette and Payne streets.

C. S. Taylor Burke, trustee, to Jacob Rose house and lot 322 King street.

Charles O. Pulman and wife to Jacob Shapiro house and lot 901 Duke street.

Mrs. Ella L. Davis to Milton S. Fairfax five houses and lots on the south side of Jefferson between Washington and Columbus streets.

J. Ernest Hamilton to P. E. Hamilton and wife house and lot on the south side of Lee between Wolfe and Wilkes streets.

A. Mendelson to E. H. Nash and wife house and lot on the south side of Wolfe between Lee and Union streets.

James R. H. Deakins and Miss Elizabeth A. Deakins to Jacob Shapiro stable in square bounded by Prince, Alfred Duke and Patrick streets.

W. H. Hellmuth to Frank Michelbach lot in square bounded by King, Prince, Alfred and Patrick streets.

Miss Georgianna D. Steele to Charles Kramer house and lot on the west side of Fayette between King and Cameron streets.

M. B. Harlow to Frank Smith and others, trustees for the Church of God and Saints of Christ, Inc., of Washington, D. C., house and lot on Alfred between Montgomery and First streets.

ROME WILL ACCEPT TERMS

Representatives at Paris Ordered to
Agree to Proposition.
Paris, June 21.—The Italian delegation to the Peace Conference has been directed from Rome to accept the proposition for the settlement of the Dalmatian controversy made by Premier Clemenceau, Lloyd George and President Wilson, according to the Paris office of Reuters Limited.

MARRIED

CRAGG—GRIMES—On Wednesday, June 18, 1919, at the rectory of St. Paul's P. E. Church, by Rev. Dr. P. P. Phillips, MISS LILLIAN V. GRIMES and MR. J. WILLIAM CRAGG. 148-1p.

MASONIC NOTICE

There will be a called communication of Alexandria Washington Lodge No. 22, A. F. and A. M., Tuesday, June 24th, at 7 p. m. By order of W. M. C. PAGE WALLER Secretary. 148-3c.

GERMANY'S SUDDEN SHIFT

Psychological Swing of All Political
Parties For Peace

Paris, June 21.—Indications that a psychological swing in favor of signing the Peace Treaty had set in in Germany and that all political parties were affected by it were received in dispatches from Germany to the Peace Conference yesterday.

Conference circles are cheerful over the outlook. It is believed that the signing of the treaty by Germany now is assured.

Thursday night, before the Scheidemann government handed in its resignation a small majority of the cabinet was opposed to signing and a small majority of the National Assembly was in favor of it. All parties except the Independent Socialists, apparently have split on the question and the old lines of cleavage have disappeared. The Centrists, Democrats and Majority Socialists are said to favor signing.

The general change in opinion is reflected in the newspapers. The conservative press is declaring that it is wrong to sign and is inveighing against the cowardice of the government. The extreme radical papers declare that the working people want peace at any price, while the middle group admits there is no other course left but to sign.

It is reported that the German have asked for a further extension of the time limit within which to act on the Peace Treaty.

FIRE KILLS OR INJURES 150

San Juan, Porto Rico, June 21.—One hundred and fifty persons, including many children, are reported killed or injured in the destruction by fire Thursday night of a motion picture theater at Mayaguez.

The bodies of 27 unidentified persons were recovered from the ruins.

CHURCH SERVICES

St. Mary's Catholic Church, Rev. Louis Smet, pastor, order of services. Masses 7, 9 and 11 o'clock and evening services, 7:30 p. m.

St. Paul's P. E. Church, Rev. P. P. Phillips, rector, order of services. Tomorrow follows: Sunday School 9:30; Men's Bible Class, 9:45; morning service 11, and evening service 7:30 p. m.

The services tomorrow at Trinity Methodist Church will be as follows: 9:45 a. m., Sunday School and Men's Bible Class; 11 a. m., and 8 p. m., preaching by the pastor, Rev. A. E. Spellman.

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"The Parable of the Rich Man and Lazarus," will be the topic of the discourse tomorrow morning at Immanuel Lutheran Church, Rev. Carl J. Goetz, pastor. Sunday School and Bible Class at 9:30 a. m.

At the First Baptist Church tomorrow at 11 a. m., Rev. Dr. E. B. Jackson, pastor, will have as his subject, "The Superiority of Christ," in the evening, at 8 p. m., the subject will be: "Can the World Be Made a Fit Place to Live In." Sunday School at 9:30 a. m. B. Y. P. U. at 7 p. m.

At the Second Presbyterian Church tomorrow morning Rev. Dr. John Lee Allison, pastor, will take for his subject at the morning service, "Agents that Release Spiritual Power." Evening will be mission in Korea under the auspices of the Sunday School.

Rev. E. V. Regester, pastor, will preach at 11 a. m., and 8 p. m., tomorrow at the M. E. Church South. West side of South Washington St., near King. Short services and good music. Come to the Henry K. Field Bible Class at 9:45 a. m., in the Young People's Building.

Order of services tomorrow at the Methodist Protestant Church, Rev. G. J. Hill, pastor, will be as follows: Sunday School, 9:30 a. m.; preaching at 11 a. m., and subject, "What we are Worth in the World in which we Live; Christian Endeavor, 7:15 p. m.; preaching at 7:45 p. m. A cordial welcome extended visitors.

It is a real pleasure to find your tire work ready when promised. Vulcanizing done right, right now. Alexandria Auto Supply Co. 148-2c.

HAPPENINGS ABOUT CITY TOLD IN BRIEF

Miss Marion Ale of North Pitt
street, left today to visit relatives
in Philadelphia.

Mrs. W. Brown of 505 Queen
is visiting relatives in Philadelphia
and Atlantic City.

Mr. and Mrs. W. C. Drury of 807
King street are spending the summer
months at Colonial Beach, Va.

Mrs. John Henderson has returned
to her home in North Pitt after a
visit to relatives and friends in Rich-
mond.

Alexandria Lodge of Elks Monday
night will hold a class initiation
which will be followed by a social
session.

The Progressive Mothers' Club of
this city, will meet tomorrow after-
noon at 4:30 o'clock at the colored
Soldiers' Club.

Misses Martha and Laura Allison,
left this morning for Wytheville,
Va., where they will spend the re-
mainder of the summer.

A telegram received this morning
from S. A. Beaugard by W. H. Pur-
vis, announced his safe arrival in
New York from overseas.

Miss Amy Baumgarten of 401
Wilkes street, who has been visit-
ing her sister at Niagara Falls, N.
Y., for the past two months, has re-
turned home.

Edward T. Quinn, of 112 North
Columbus street, who has been over-
seas for the past eleven months, has
arrived safely and is now at Camp
Jackson, South Carolina.

Elmer O. Tomlin, son of Mrs. W.
O. Tomlin, who for the past year
has been overseas, has arrived at
Charleston, S. C., and expects to be
mustered out of service shortly.

The Alexandria Trades Council
will hold a meeting Tuesday night
at 8 o'clock at the Opera House. A
number of matters of importance
will be up for consideration at this
meeting.

Major James A. Long, has re-
turned from his class reunion at
West Point, N. Y. He was accom-
panied by Mrs. Long and daughter,
Miss Florence A. Long, who attend-
ed graduation week.

Members of James W. Council No.
55, Junior Order of United Ameri-
can Mechanics will Wednesday
night pay a fraternal visit to Ball-
town Council, Alexandria county.
Members will entrain on the 7:20
o'clock train.

Mr. and Mrs. M. Grimes announce
the marriage of their daughter,
Miss Lillian V. Grimes, to Mr. J.
William Cragg. The ceremony took
place Wednesday at the rectory of
St. Paul's P. E. Church, Rev. P. P.
Phillips, rector, officiating. The
bride was gowned in blue georgette
crepe with hat to match.

A joint meeting of the Civic and
Retail Merchants' Bureau of the
Chamber of Commerce will be held
at 8 o'clock Monday night in the
rooms of that organization. At
this meeting a final report on the
proposed new plan of assessment
will be made by the committee in
charge of which James Bayne is
chairman.

J. W. Collins, who is a candidate
for the state legislature to repre-
sent this city and Alexandria coun-
ty, has been endorsed by Local No.
500 International Association of Ma-
chinists. A democratic primary will
be held August 5. There are two
other candidates in the field. John
W. May and Charles Jones, the last
named of Alexandria county.

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NOTICE
A meeting of the Alexandria
Trades Council will be held Tues-
day night at 8 o'clock in the Opera
House. All members are urged to
attend. 148-2c.